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House-sites and burial grounds for Harijans in Wandiwash taluk.

* 710 *Q.*—SRI D. DASARATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether any house-sites and burial grounds have been sanctioned for the Harijans since 1950 in Wandiwash taluk?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" No."

Water-supply Scheme for Tuticorin.

* 711 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Tuticorin Municipal Council have made any representation that they will bear the cost of improvement of water-supply scheme; and that a special subdivision may be sanctioned so that the investigation, designs, and the execution could be taken up on the spot at the cost of the municipality?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The answer is in the affirmative. In December 1952, the Municipal Council, Tuticorin, requested sanction of the Government for the formation of a special subdivision to carry out the necessary field investigation required to draw up detailed plans and estimates for improving the water-supply scheme of the town with the Tambaraparni River as source. Orders in the matter will be issued as early as possible."

Purchase of a mill in Tirunelveli by the Provincial Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society.

* 712 *Q.*—SRI K. T. RAJU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Provincial Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society has sought the approval of the Government for the purchase of any mill in Tirunelveli district; and

(*b*) if so, at what cost and from which individual?

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" (*a*) The Madras State Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society is sponsoring the establishment of a new spinning mill under the name of the South India Co-operative Spinning Mills Limited, with 16,000 spindles at Tirunelveli. The application of the mill for licence to set up the undertaking is under the consideration of the Government of India.

" (*b*) The Board of Directors of the South India Co-operative Spinning Mills, Limited, has decided to purchhase from the Murugan Textiles, Limited, Tirunelveli, land, building and certain electrical machinery at a cost of Rs. 5,15,000."